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The invention relates to a securing element for fastening loads. Said element is configured as a rope, belt, strap or cord with openings arranged in a grid pattern, consisting of a combination of elastic, semi-elastic and non-elastic materials. The openings are designed to receive a fastening element and an additional identical or similar securing element can be looped through said openings. By attaching at least one fastening element, e.g. a hook, any length of securing element can be selected. When configured as a net, the securing element acts as a retaining net and can secure loads of any type. Natural and synthetic materials can be used individually or in combination to produce said element.